

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship – John 1:1-3, Luke 2:7

*Song of Worship – Joy Has Dawned

*Reading of the Law – Psalm 2

Confession of Sin (Responsive) – Psalm 11:4-7

*Hymn-O come, O Come Emmanuel

Assurance of Pardon – 2 Corinthians 4:6

Receiving and Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Congregational Prayer

Message – Identity Crisis

Matthew 14:34-15:20 Pastor Phil Amaismeier

*Hymn – Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness (#293)

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand in body or spirit

Please scroll down for announcements.

WELCOME members and guests. We're glad you joined us!

We encourage you to join us in singing, reading aloud, and standing or bowing our heads as we worship.

<u>Prayer, counseling, or physical needs</u> – Please reach out to our leaders if you have a particular need, would like prayer, know of a need someone else has, or if you just need to talk.

<u>Children's sermon note sheets</u> to help both older and younger children learn from the sermon at an age-appropriate level are available to print at <u>washingtonpres.org/worship-bulletins</u>.

Sunday school classes for adults and kids meet 9:30-10:15 a.m.

<u>Giving</u> – Gifts may be offered by mail (Washington Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 1367, Washington, PA, 15301) or securely online at <u>washingtonpres.org/give</u>.

<u>Sermon recordings</u> are available on most podcast apps under WPCA Sermons or on the <u>Resources tab of our website</u>. A **video recording** of today's service is on our <u>Vimeo channel</u>. (Services before May are still on our <u>YouTube channel</u>.)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LORD'S SUPPER will be observed next Sunday, December 5. You are encouraged to prepare your heart to meet with the Lord in this special way. The Bible tells us to examine our hearts, and, as needed, to be reconciled to God and/or others by the forgiveness offered by Jesus' sacrifice for us. A BENEVOLENCE OFFERING for the Deacons Fund (used to help those with particular needs) will be received during this communion service.

PIONEER CLUBS for children age 2 through 6th grade meets on Wednesday, December 1, 6-7:15 p.m.

YOUTH GROUP for students in grades 7-12 meets this Wednesday, December 1, 6-8:15 p.m., in the sanctuary.

SESSION meets on Thursday, December 2 at 7 p.m. Please pray for our elders as they meet.

<u>KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY</u> – Saturday, December 4, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Join us for crafts, cookie decorating, and other seasonal activities! Please dress kids in play clothes. Lunch is provided. Children age 3 and under must have an adult with them. Speak to Debbie Burtoft if you'd like to help with the event.

<u>DECEMBER BREAKFASTS</u> – We are continuing our tradition of hosting fellowship breakfasts during the Sunday school hour each Sunday in December! Please sign up in the back to bring items, including the themed items listed below and other items to round out the breakfasts.

- December 5 Egg Dish
- December 12 Coffee Cakes
- December 19 Biscuits and Gravy

December 26 – Donuts, Donuts, Donuts!

CHRISTMAS CAROLING - On Wednesday, December 8, the church will be going Christmas caroling. We hope to go to Transitions (as long as no one there develops COVID). If we can't go there, we will carol around the neighborhood. We will begin at 5:30 with pizza, go caroling at 6:30, and then return to the church for cookies and hot chocolate. There will be a sign up sheet to make sure we have enough pizza. Please plan to bring Christmas cookies to share.

ELDER ON CALL

Phil Amaismeier

OCTOBER GIVING

Budget for the year \$ 130,357.00 General Giving YTD \$ 132,571.49

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Giving</u>
General	\$14,741.25
Deacons	\$135.00